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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR
To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Timothy Meagher, Reg. No. 39,302 on 17, 20 and 25 August 2010.

Please amend the claims, filed 4/8/2010, as follows:

In claim 1, lines 15-16, change "switch includes a circuitry for controlling the plural optical switches" to "packet switch includes a circuitry for controlling the plural optical switches"

In claim 4, line 16 change "wherein the control device is operable to" to "wherein the control device [[is]] <u>comprises a processor</u> operable to"

In claim 11, lines 1-2, change "the control device comprises a processor constructed and arranged to construct a service matrix" to "the control device comprises a the processor is further constructed and arranged to construct a service matrix".

Response to Arguments

2. Applicant's Arguments, see Applicant's Arguments and Remarks, filed 8 April 2010, with respect to claims 1-16 and 19-29 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The previous grounds of rejection have been withdrawn.

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Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 1-16 and 19-29, renumbered as claims 1-6, 8, 7 and 9-27, respectively, are

allowed.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner

should be directed to Christopher Crutchfield whose telephone number is (571) 270-3989. The

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

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